

House Resolution 1473

By: Representatives Stephens of the 161st, Gordon of the 162nd, Bryant of the 160th, Williams of the 165th, Day of the 163rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Savannah Chapter #159 of the Order of the Eastern Star,
2 Prince Hall; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Savannah Chapter #159 of the Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall was
4 established on August 12, 1912, by a small group of God-fearing women and over the past
5 98 years, the organization has benevolently served the community of Savannah, Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, the Savannah Chapter has diligently and conscientiously worked on projects to
7 uplift the lives of others, including feeding the homeless, providing clothes to shelters, and
8 donating food baskets and gift cards at the holidays; and

9 WHEREAS, members of the Savannah Chapter support the Ronald McDonald House, the
10 Greenbrier Children's Center, the March of Dimes, the May Street YMCA, the American
11 Cancer Society, and the Citizen's Advocacy Board through donations and fundraising; and

12 WHEREAS, the Savannah Chapter is committed to educating the future leaders of this state
13 with its scholarship activities such as sponsorship of the Savannah Youth Chapter #116 and
14 athletic teams, sending children to camp, and awarding four scholarships to college or
15 technical school bound students in 2009; and

16 WHEREAS, a beacon of hope in the community, the Savannah Chapter supports Savannah
17 State University's screening and health efforts with the Curtis V. Cooper Sickle Cell Health
18 Fair and hosts Leukemia Light the Night, Relay for Life Walks, and the Black Heritage
19 Festival; and

20 WHEREAS, the talented and dedicated Worthy Matrons of the Savannah Chapter include
21 Sister Rebecca Stiles Taylor, Sister Edith Simmons, Sister Matilda Harris, Sister Lee Emily
22 Jones, and Sister Mary Hollis Jones; and

23 WHEREAS, Worthy Matrons who have served for the Jurisdiction of Georgia include Sister
24 Macie Gadson Smith, Sister Ruth Elizabeth Mobley, Sister Mamie Wade Avant, Sister Julia
25 Brownlee, Sister Ruth Elizabeth Burke, Sister Virginia Pennington, and Sister Bessie Mae
26 Dunham, Sister Emily Praylo, Sister Estella Kenon, Sister Louise Taylor, Sister Mamie
27 Baker, Sister Helen Mosley, Sister Isabell Hudson, Sister Arizona Green, Sister Gracie
28 Goldwire, Sister Elizabeth Jones, Sister Margaret Sheppard, Sister Yvonne Goldwire, Sister
29 Thelma Denmark, Sister Barbara Oglesby, Sister Elizabeth Sullivan, Sister Mary Wiley,
30 Sister Betty Jackson, Sister Pamela R. Johnson, Sister Jenean K. Turner, and Sister Brenda
31 S. Pough; and

32 WHEREAS, this exemplary civic organization and all of its outstanding members have given
33 generously of their time and assets, thereby accomplishing great missions, contributing
34 tremendously to the quality of life in their community, and bringing honor and credit to the
35 Order of the Eastern Star and the State of Georgia.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
37 the members of this body recognize and commend the Savannah Chapter #159 of the Order
38 of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall for its many contributions to the Savannah community.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Savannah Chapter #159
41 of the Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall.